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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER MPEP 708.02 AND 37 CFR § 1.102 (d)

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.02(d) to advance the examination of the above-identified application. Applicants have learned that a direct competitor is selling an infringing product in the market.

A rigid comparison of the infringing product with the claims of the application has been made, and the claims are believed to be unquestionably infringed by the competitor's product. The market for the products claimed in the pending application is dynamic and the Applicant is suffering irreparable harm to its business each day the infringing products are on the market.

In addition, Applicant's attorney has made a careful and thorough search of the prior art and has good knowledge of the same. The pertinent prior art references are included with the Information Disclosure Statement being filed concurrently herewith.

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Thus, applicant respectfully submits having met the requirements under MPEP Section 708.02 and 37 C.F.R. 1.102(d), and therefore respectfully solicits the granting of this Petition to Make Special.

Respectfully submitted,

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